Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, The Black Hills Pow Wow Association will celebrate the 22nd Annual He Sapa Wacipi, a World Class Championship Native American Dancing and Singing Competition, in Rapid City, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Hundreds of dancers and drum groups from throughout the northern plains and Canada attend this awesome gathering--rich in Native American art and pageantry; and,

Whereas, Events from fine art and authentic handmade crafts to traditional hand-game tournaments and contemporary indigenous music concerts to educational activities will provide entertainment for all attending; and,

Whereas, An invitation is extended to all people to participate in the Pow Wow:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 10, 11, and 12, 2008, as

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in South Dakota, and I urge all citizens to join in this celebration.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State